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Town Topics

WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING. ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP ABOUT TOWN.

"A City That is Set on a Hill Can Not Be Hid."

H. C. Barker was in Portland, Saturday.

C. M. Wormell was in Portland, Saturday.

Don't forget the bargains in hamburgs and laces at Miss Burnham's.

Lawyer Hersey of Buckfield, stayed at the Elms House, Monday night.

Mrs. Newton Richardson is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Stearns in Norway.

F. H. Lovjoy is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lovejoy.

Mr. Albert Copeland is settling up his business and will soon start for the Klondike.

W. C. Stearns of Paris, brother of Mrs. E. C. Park spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Park.

There were twenty-eight Oxford citizens who attended the Prize Speaking Contest, Friday evening.

Milton Penley who has been suffering for about two weeks from an attack of the grip is able to be out again.

Several are trying to get rid of some of the snow by hauling it off, but even then it is difficult to find places to put it.

For the second Sunday in Lent Rev. Mr. Barton will take for his subject, "Regeneration, or the Birth from Above."

Miss Ethel Stone who has been visiting her grandfather, C. M. Wormell for the past two weeks, returned home, Saturday.

The third meeting of the promoters of the electric light project, will be held at the Bethel Savings Bank to-morrow evening; a good attendance is desired.

Mrs. S. N. Bennett of Norway Lake, made us a pleasant call, Monday morning. Mrs. Bennett has been in town for two weeks caring for her sister, Mrs. Thos. Morrill.

The Auxiliary to the Maine Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. All interested in this work in our State are cordially invited.

Social Evening of the Monhegan Club.

The members of the Monhegan Club were entertained by Miss Jessie Philbrook at her home on February 18th. The evening was spent in a most pleasant manner. After a very dainty lunch the spacious hall was opened and the guests enjoyed a few of the old-time dances. The Club will meet at the usual place on to-morrow evening, March 3rd.

Citizens Caucus.

Many citizens of Bethel have requested the Republican and Democratic Town Committees to call a caucus for the purpose of putting in nomination, candidates for the various town offices to be filled at the annual town meeting to be held next Monday. The two committees have met and have decided to issue a call for all legal voters of Bethel to meet in such caucus on Friday next at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at Osborn Hall.

E. C. Park, J. U. Purington, B. W. Kimball, W. W. Hastings, F. L. Edwards, F. B. Howe, Republican Committee, Democratic Committee.

Notice.

Having received several inquiries by mail asking me if I am a candidate for the position of Postmaster, I take this method of announcing to the patrons of the Bethel Post office that I am, and if favored with the position, will endeavor to maintain the present efficiency of the office.

Yours respectfully, Geo. E. King.

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PRIZE SPEAKING.

We are well aware that the desire to "point a moral and adorn a tale" is one that it is best as a general thing to check, lest the habit become so tedious as to defeat its object. But one surely may be pardoned if one sees in the Prize Speaking Contest of Gould's Academy, an occasion for indulging for a moment one's propensity. Being one of the many tender-hearted persons who can never forget in the most exultant victory, as a recent poem has it, "the white, strained faces of the men who failed," the writer confesses to having hitherto entertained a slight disapproval of prize contests. But the spirit which Mr. Hanscom has succeeded in making the dominant feature of this one, has worked a conversion. One wishes it were possible to reproduce the lay sermon which was given the students at the outset, concerning the motives and ideals with which they should enter the contest. Surely, when one remembers that one of the inevitable lessons of life is, that in the consciousness of having done one's best lies the highest possible reward of endeavor—and we do not go far in experience before we learn it is often our only reward—it must be granted that the discipline that comes from such a contest may be by no means the least valuable part of the term's work. Fortunately the stern discipline which comes to most of us sooner or later in failure of our best efforts to win recognition and appreciation, was by no means visited upon those girls and boys in whom all our interests were centered last Friday evening, and whose every success was so heartily recognized and rejoiced in.

And what a splendid audience that was! A fit indication, as the Principal said, of the interest of this community in its grand old Academy, and of that also which he modestly disclaimed, our interest in and devotion to its present teachers and students. One unusual and gratifying element in it was the large delegation from Oxford whose presence was such a tribute to Mr. Hanscom.

The next word thing to being a judge in a Prize Speaking Contest, which nothing on earth would induce us to be, is to be a reporter, which nothing on earth should have induced us to be. For how discriminate between parts each in its way so admirably given? The merit was unusually even. There was no one participating who might not fairly have been considered by his or her friends as deserving the prize.

There were certainly several who should have had the first prize and all the rest should have had the second. The judges seem to have awarded the first prizes for difficult complex parts, and the second for simplicity and naturalness. Miss Florence Carter and Mr. Leon Walker for their facile and finished rendering of selections requiring broad range of action and infection, certainly deserved the distinction which they won. Tom Sawyer is always a little fellow in knee breeches is pretty sure to carry everything before him, especially when he is a boy for whom everybody has a good word, and a worker withal. So one did not wonder that the clever manner in which Edwin Harvey gave his part, won the enthusiastic applause of the audience, and the second prize, Miss Ethel Sanborn's "Mourning Veil" was as bright and sweet and natural as could be, and a part to which she adapted herself perfectly.

Then as to those who did not win prizes, because there weren't enough to go around, but who won nevertheless, the most thorough appreciation and sincerest praise.

Miss Godwin's portrayal of the awkward country lad with the gentleman's heart, was remarkably well done. Mr. Bisbee had one of Richard Harding Davis' inimitable sketches, which he did admirably, the finish with which every sentence was given showing the unmistakable results of the very best training. Miss Perkins gave in a manner that showed painstaking drill. Miss Stanton's selection from "Toussaint," was given with charming finish and grace of manner and expression, which also characterized Miss Sara Chapman's rendering of the classic from Mrs. Phelps-Ward, and Miss Douglass' "Shadow of Doom."

Mr. French had chosen that best thing from Dickens "The Execution of Sidney Carton" which he rendered finely. To one who has an admiration for the good literature of the '40's, it is a great de-

light to hear such a selection as this which Mr. French so wisely chose. On that account Mr. Chas. Holmes' fine, old selection from Wendell Phillips was especially pleasing, as well as on account of his round, clear tones, and distinct utterance which made it such a pleasure to listen to him. Mr. Holmes was handicapped in his preparation by a severe illness which seemed to give him an uneven chance, but he has certainly the natural gifts of a speaker, and no part of the evening gave more satisfaction than his. Miss Shaw had chosen a characteristic selection from Lafcadio Hearn, whose descriptions of Japanese life are so charmingly written. Her part as well as Miss Cora Farwells, was given in an easy, graceful manner. Mr. Merl Holt's clever, realistic impersonation of a rustic at one of Rubinstein's piano recitals delighted everyone; and Mr. Gray's rendering of a difficult part showed great training and much natural ability. Mr. George Blake's "Hand Car 412" was one of the very best things of the evening, and if some of us had been judges there would have had to be another first prize for him; for in our opinion his part ranked evenly with Mr. Walker's.

The programme was pleasantly interspersed by a piano solo by Miss Billings, vocal solo by Mr. Field, a selection from the always charming male quartette, and from the popular mixed quartette of the Academy.

One who chanced to watch the alert, tense expression on Miss Mayo's face as she followed the various parts, can readily understand the power that has been behind such results. Miss Mayo has the enthusiasm and untiring energy of the successful teacher and has added to those laurels already won, by the success of her work with the students here.

Judge Stearns for the committee of award, presented the prizes. The first prize for the young ladies was a beautiful illustrated copy of "The Marble Faun," in two volumes; first prize for the young gentlemen, three volumes of John Fiske's "Histories," "Beginnings of New England, and American Revolution." The second prizes were uniform and were handsome copies of the well-known "Bartlett's Familiar Quotations."

And what was the very best thing of the evening? The whole hearted, generous way in which some many fellows rushed up to congratulate their comrades who had won the first prize, and smiled on the smallest competitor, who seemed so surprised at his good fortune. I don't doubt that the young ladies greeted the prize winners of their number in an equally gracious manner too, and I happened to see the boys, and I thought it, as who would not, the finest of all the fine things they had done that evening.

M. C. H.

The following appeal from the National officers of the W. C. T. U., is followed by another which will make the significance of the day doubly sacred.

NEAL DOW'S BIRTHDAY.

New York, Feb. 5.—The W. C. T. U. to-day issued the following appeal:

"The National Women's Christian Temperance Union earnestly asks the co-operation of the Christian church, the Christian Endeavor Society, the Epworth League, the Baptist Young People's Social Union, the National Temperance Society, the Good Templars, the Prohibition party and all other temperance, religious and philanthropic societies who are willing to help in the celebrating of the birthday of Gen. Neal Dow, March 20, for the purpose of strengthening the public sentiment that seeks the prohibition of the liquor traffic in our own and every land. (Signed)

"Frances E. Willard, Pres. "Katherine Lent Stevenson, Sec."

WILLARD MEMORIAL DAY.

Chicago, February 25.—Sunday, March 20th, is set apart by the general officers of the W. C. T. U., as a special memorial day for Frances E. Willard. It is already a red letter among the white ribbons, being "Prohibition day," the birthday of Gen. Neal Dow.

Two great leaders have fallen, gone to their great reward after a life of cheerful, loving service, and the responsibility of the work falls with heavier might upon those left to still fight for the purity of the home and society and for the wiping out of intemperance in every form. Let us rally with renewed earnestness and a fuller consecration so that the day may soon dawn upon a land prosperous, pure and holy.

Methodism in Oxford County.

BY G. B. HANNAFORD.

In the year 1798, Rev. Nicholas Snethen of Portland, visited Rumford and Bethel and preached a few times in each town. A class was formed in Rumford, at or near Rumford Falls. Said class numbered 14 members. It was composed of members of the Martin, Wheeler, Virgin and Putnam families. Rev. John Martin a resident of Rumford, was a local preacher and preached to the people from time to time, holding his meetings in school-houses and barns. He died in Rumford in 1805, and was the first person buried in Rumford Center cemetery. In 1825, a Methodist church was built at East Rumford; Chas. Abbott recently deceased, told me he attended a Methodist Quarterly meeting in the Enoch Knapp house at Rumford Falls, the same year. From 1800 to 1832, Rumford was a part of Bethel circuit. The Conference of 1832 made of Rumford and some of the adjoining towns a separate circuit giving it the name, Rumford Circuit. Rev. Job Pratt was preacher in charge. He died in 1833 and was buried in the cemetery at East Rumford.

In 1834, Rev. D. F. Quimby and C. C. Mason were pastors. Bro. Mason told me he saw 108 persons rise for prayers, bow before the Lord and heard them say their sins were forgiven. In 1865, the old church was taken down and a Union church took its place.

The same year, a Methodist church was built at Rumford Center. The next year a Union church was erected at Rumford Corner. In 1876, the old parsonage at East Rumford was sold and the society bought the house they now own at Rumford Center. In 1893, Rev. J. A. Corey preached to a congregation in one of the streets of our new village at Rumford Falls.

The following July, a society was organized, consisting of eight members. Rev. D. F. Faulkner was appointed preacher in charge. He served the church acceptably until May 1896. During Bro. Faulkner's pastorate, a church was erected; the outside of the building was completed, the inside furnished with chairs and the society worshipped God in the new church. The church had grown from 8 to 35.

In 1895, G. B. Hannaford was appointed pastor of the church. During the summer of that year, pews, pulpit, hymnals, electric chandeliers, an organ and a church bell were purchased. The church was dedicated, Sept. 6th, Rev. G. D. Linsley preaching the dedicatory sermon. Rev. E. T. Adams preached in the evening. Mr. Hannaford was pastor two years. During his pastorate he raised for the society and expended on it and in the church building, \$2150, and added 31 new members. Rev. J. L. Hoyle was appointed pastor at our last Conference and is doing good work.

ANDOVER.

There have always been Methodist members in Andover since the town was organized. Until 1870 the Methodist people in Andover belonged to Rumford church and Andover was a part of Rumford circuit. Rev. Ira G. Sprague was appointed pastor of the society that year. He served the church three years, built a neat comfortable house of worship.

Since 1870, Andover has been a station. The society has been and is small and weak. There is but little prospect of its becoming a self-supporting church.

NEWRY.

Newry was formerly a part of Bethel circuit. Allen in his history of Maine Methodism says, "Newry and several towns north were set off in 1851." Rev. N. A. Soule was preacher in charge. A Union church was built at Newry Corner several years ago. It has been occupied mostly by the Methodist, built and own a parsonage at the Corner. Newry is now a part of Bethel circuit.

UPTON.

In 1873 Bro. Sprague commenced his work in Upton. Previous to that time Upton was a part of Newry circuit. Bro. Sprague caused a Union church to be built on Upton Hill. Our Conference sent preachers there a few years, but finally abandoned the field. I think we made a great mistake when we gave up our work in Upton.

MASON.

In 1837, Rev. Chas. Lovejoy held services in Mason. In 1869, Rev. Benjamin Lufkin stirred up the people to erect a house of worship in the town. The house was finished and dedicated in 1873. Albany and Gilead were a part of Mason circuit. The society finally became so small and poor that it was impossible to give a

pastor a comfortable support and Mason circuit was connected with Bethel.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

In the spring of 1832, G. B. Hannaford received a letter from the late Mrs. Maria McKenney requesting him to appoint a preaching service in that place. He consented to do so. That old lady went through the village and notified the people that a preaching service would be held in Currier's Hall the next Sunday. About forty persons were present. An appointment for another service was given. Meetings were continued through the year. There were a few conversions. In due time a society was organized; the people in the place were anxious to have a house of worship erected. The Methodist society was not able to build a church, but they were more than glad to assist in building a Union church. The house was built in 1834. The pastor preached the first sermon, Jan. 25th, 1835. It was a day of rejoicing.

Subsequently, dedicatory services were held. G. B. Hannaford preached in the morning; Miss Angel preached in the afternoon. Several Baptist ministers were present and took part in the services. The house cost \$1600. It is a gem of a church. I thank my Master for calling me to that church and to that place. I was as happy as a king on his throne. I received a little more than one hundred dollars a year for my work, but my Heavenly Father supplied my needs and better than all the rest, He gave me peace in my soul. Ira Jordan, Lester Tibbetts, sister Elizabeth Bean gave the lot and \$30. Eben Rand was among those who gave liberally toward building the church at Locke's Mills.

WOODSTOCK.

Quite a large per cent of the early settlers of Woodstock were either members of the M. E. church or believed Methodist doctrines. Rev. Jesse H. Stephens was quite a noted local preacher. He held meetings in barns, school-houses, private houses and groves, and was prospered in his work. In 1814, Rev. John Adams organized a Methodist society. Most of the early settlers of Woodstock were poor. The Methodists were unable to build a church; for fifty years they held their services wherever they could. In 1856, the Methodist and Free Baptist built a church in the south part of the town; subsequently the Free Baptists built a church at West Paris and the Methodists, became exclusive owners of the church at South Woodstock.

Woodstock has never been a circuit by itself, but has been connected with some other M. E. church. The older members have died and there has been but few to take their places.

PARIS.

Paris circuit including the towns of Paris and Woodstock became a separate circuit in 1830. A class was formed in the north part of the town in 1812. A church was built there in 1839. In 1816, Rev. John Adams organized a society at South Paris. In 1836-37, Rev. W. F. Farrington was preacher in charge. He caused a chapel to be built; in 1848 the chapel was burned. Subsequently a church was built in the village at a cost of \$2000. It has since been enlarged and repaired. South Paris is now one of the strongest churches of Oxford County.

As before stated the society built a church at North Paris in 1839, and worshipped there for several years. Later the church was repaired and dedicated a Union church. The Baptists owned one half, the Methodist one quarter, and the Universalist the remainder.

Since 1880, the Methodists occupied the church one half the time, until four years ago, when they moved into a new chapel of their own, built by the heroic society under the leadership of Rev. A. K. Bryant.

North Paris has given to Maine Conference seven ministers, viz., Caleb Fuller, Aaron and Daniel Fuller, Hiram and Seth B. Chase, Orrin Bent and Nathan Andrews. The West Paris class was formed in 1867. The little society was visited occasionally by ministers from South Woodstock Rev. S. D. Brown was the first minister who held regular services in West Paris. He commenced his labors there in 1874. In 1878, a chapel was built there. During the winter of 1885-86 the writer saw several brought to Christ; some of the converts became members of our church. Bro. A. K. Bryant has served the church faithfully the last five years. He made an effort to build a parsonage and his heroic labors have been crowned with success.

As usual Bro. Bryant did not wish to be penned up in the narrow limits of a 20 mile circuit; he has found his way into the regions beyond, entered Greenwood City, repaired the old church there, preached the Gospel of the Son of God to the people, has seen a large number brought to Christ and will soon leave West Paris followed by the prayers and benedictions of his parishioners. We may hear by and by that he is doing work for God in Alaska.

NORWAY.

Previous to 1835, Norway was a part of Bethel circuit. At one time it was connected with Paris. Our society owned and worshipped in a church in the north part of the town. Rev. H. W. Latham was pastor in 1835. For several years North Norway has made a part of either Norway, Bethel, or Albany circuits.

In 1876, Rev. J. B. Lapham, pastor of our church in South Paris organized a class in Norway village. Rev. Fred. Rogers of South Paris, held several meetings in Norway in 1878 and saw a gracious revival. In 1879, Norway was made a part of South Paris circuit and remained a part of the circuit until 1884. The conference of 1894 saw fit to make Norway a station and appointed Rev. O. S. Pillsbury, pastor.

Since that time, the Society has grown and prospered. We have to-day a society in Norway, large and strong enough to entertain our Annual Conference. We are anticipating a royal good time there next April.

OXFORD.

If Allen's History of Maine Methodism is true, the first Methodist society in Oxford County was formed in Oxford. Rev. Philip Noyes preached a sermon in the house of John Caldwell in 1874. A class was formed that year. In 1796, the meetings were removed to a school-house in that vicinity. Jesse Stoneham, Timothy Merritt, Joshua Soule, Asa Heath, Reuben Hubbard and Joel Walker were among the early preachers.

From 1824 to 1843, Oxford was included in Poland or South Paris circuits. In 1825, Rev. Job Pratt saw a wonderful revival. In 1857 and 58, Rev. E. Martin led the praying hearts of Oxford on to wonderful victory. In 1861, an M. E. church was erected in Oxford village. Five years later, a church was built in Welchville. The two societies are served by the one pastor.

BUCKFIELD.

In 1878, Rev. W. H. Traflet organized a small class in Buckfield village. In 1879, Rev. S. T. Record was appointed pastor of Turner and Buckfield societies. He remained with them three years. During his pastorate a church was built in Buckfield and dedicated free of debt. G. B. Hannaford was pastor during the Conference year '94. Several were converted that year. Six were baptized in the church, Oct. 7th. Others were baptized later.

Rev. Frank Sedler followed Mr. Hannaford; Bro. Sedler caused a vestry to be erected but left it unfinished. Rev. B. A. Rich the present incumbent, finished and furnished the building. Sister Eliza Mitchell, a member of the society, gave to the church in her will, her nice home for a parsonage. May the Lord bless the little band of Christians in Buckfield village.

FRYEBURG.

We have a small society in Fryeburg. Fryeburg circuit includes Stowe. The church in Fryeburg was organized in 1829; at one time it was a flourishing society, but like many of our churches it has been shorn of its strength. We hope it may take a new lease of life and the society live forever.

Waterford was visited by Rev. Joseph Baker, a Methodist preacher in 1802. He preached one sermon in town. In 1806, a class was formed and Waterford became a part of Poland circuit.

In 1816, a Quarterly meeting, "the first held in the town," was held in the barn of John Shaw.

A church was erected in 1818 and completed the following year. In 1835, a new church was built. The new church was burned in 1844. Another house of worship was built the next year. Sweden is a part of Waterford Circuit.

Hiram for many years has been connected with Baldwin. We have had a following and a society in town for more than 60 years. We have a society of 11 members in Dixfield. Said society was organized about four months ago. We hope the little one may become a thousand. It is a little more than a hundred years since Methodism was introduced into the part of the State now called Oxford County. We have now 900 members, 100

probationers. During the hundred years last past, thousands have transferred their relationship from the M. E. church in Oxford County to the church. Triumphant, but we are one.

One family in Him we dwell and we will meet them by and by. We have \$52,000 worth of church property. Oxford County has given to the M. E. church 36 ministers.

PERSONAL.

Geo. B. Hannaford son of C. C. and H. E. Hannaford was born in Winthrop, Me. He became a convert to the Christian religion in Dec., 1856. Subsequently he heard the Master call him to the work of the ministry. He preached his first sermon in South Benton in June, 1869. He became a resident of Oxford County in 1874.

He has preached more sermons in the County, officiated at more weddings and funerals than any other minister now living.

Martha's Vineyard.

Chilmark named after a locality in Wiltshire, England, lies between Tisbury and Gay Head. Its western border contains a charming range of hills, with huge boulders and considerable forests. At Roaring Brook, the superior clays which are an extension of the renowned cliffs of Gay Head, were erected at one time, the famous brick works, moved by improved steam machinery under the management of the Vineyard Brick & Tile works. More than eighty tons of clay were daily used, making a brick per second, or 30,000 per day. The kiln department had a capacity for 1,000,000 bricks piled for burning.

The cost of transportation finally caused this to be abandoned and now everything is in ruins. It is, however, one of the most picturesque spots on the island and well worth a visit.

A mile or two from the brick works is a paint mill, on a large scale, utilizing the valuable clays for decorative purposes, for oil cloths and interior house painting. The ochre is particularly valuable. This also has been allowed to become idle but for what reason I do not know.

The cliffs of Nashaquitua on the south shore of Chilmark, though a hundred and fifty feet in height, in nine years previous to 1853, were eaten away by the billows and storms fifty feet back into the island. Chilmark Great Pond, nearly two miles long, is really two bodies of water artificially connected.

A small pond near the north-western corner of the town, embracing about an acre, stands seventy feet above the sea and is so deep that it was once reported to be bottomless, as it defied the fathoming line.

The Indian name of this section of the island was Nashouhkanuk. No wonder it was abandoned.

The town has two churches, Methodist and Congregational. The Methodist church, like the old country churches on the mainland, stands on the intersection of the roads and has its complement of sheds for the farmers' horses. If you climb the hills in either direction from the church you suddenly come upon the most beautiful views, first of the ponds, and beyond these the old ocean itself.

The places of note on the western shore are Lambert's Cove, Paul's Point, Cedar Tree Neck, where is situated the elegant country seat of Prof. Shaler of Harvard, and Cape Higgon, pronounced by the natives "Kopogan."

Indian Hill, on the north has a fine lookout.

The town is full of rural, quiet and ancient associations. Chilmark probably has more attractions for the hunter and sportsman than any other town on the island. Here are found raccoons, rabbits, muskrats and even foxes; also heath-hens, woodcock, quails, plover and shore birds. Of aquatic birds there are black ducks, blue-bills, red-heads, white-winged coots, shal-drakes, old-squaws, white-bell

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Bethel, Maine, Mar. 2nd, 1898.

W. K. Hamlin of So. Waterford, was in our village Monday and Tuesday. He had been in Berlin in the interest of his business. He went from Bethel to Bryant Pond to attend the grange meeting held there yesterday. Mr. Hamlin is thoroughly interested in and devoted to his business and is one of a few who have made the creamery business a marked success. The product of his creamery ranks second to none in this state to say the least, and yet Mr. Hamlin is not satisfied. He is one of those fellows whose ambition points him to that place at the top where there is room enough for all. And he will get there.

Among Our Advertisers.

The store of Ira C. Jordan has recently been much improved by a new coat of paint throughout the interior and a hard wood floor. Mr. Jordan is one of our most enterprising merchants. He came to Bethel in October 1893, and since that time he has built up a thriving business. Although he keeps a general line of goods, his chief business is in the line of groceries and grain, the entire basement of his large store being devoted to the latter while he tells us that from the former, his sales average \$200 per month. He has a large business throughout the lake region some of his customers being 47 miles away. He is agent for the Chilton paints and says the goods are advertising themselves owing to the fact that there are 21 sets of buildings in Bethel wearing this paint.

Mr. Jordan was a wool maker by trade having worked at that business for 23 years, the last seven of which he was foreman of the Tebbetts factory at Locke's Mills.

He is recognized by our citizens as one of Bethel's most shrewd and successful business men, and like all such, he advertises his business in his local paper, thus accomplishing two purposes viz., building up and sustaining his own business, and uniting with the other loyal citizens of Bethel, in sustaining a local industry, which means of our good people have learned to look upon as a necessity. Go on good brother, we rejoice to know that our loyal friends are on the road to success, and will gladly assist all we can.

What Makes Pleasant Homes.

I have peered into quiet "parlors," where the carpet is clean and not old, and the furniture polished and bright; into "rooms" where the chairs are neat and floor carpetless; into "kitchens" where the family live and the meals are cooked and eaten, and the boys and girls are as blithe as the sparrows in the thicket overhead; and I see it is not so much wealth and learning, or clothing, nor servants, nor idleness, nor town, nor country, nor station, as tone and temper, that render homes happy or wretched. And I see, too, that in town or country, good sense and God's grace make life what no teachers, or accomplishments, or means, or society can make it.

Cost of Water in Cities.

Glasgow has a perfect supply of absolutely pure water at a pressure so high that the efficiency of the fire department is greatly increased. The cost of water is about a quarter of a cent a day for each inhabitant. At this price the debt of the waterworks is being rapidly paid.

Manchester had to go 95 miles for its water supply and Birmingham had to go 80 miles. In both cities the waterworks are more than self sustaining, although the water rents are not much higher than those of Glasgow.

New York, which had to go only four miles farther than Glasgow for its water supply, will not pay off its water debt for at least 40 years. Yet water rents in New York are more than four times as high on the most favorable average as those of Glasgow, and New York's system cost far more than even the Manchester system with its 95 miles of aqueduct.

Nervousness

Sleepless, Tired and Miserable, Could Get No Rest

How This Has All Been Changed by Taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla as a blood purifier for several years past with most satisfactory results. It always builds up my system by giving me a good appetite. I have been afflicted with nervousness and could not sleep. I had a tired, miserable feeling and work was a burden to me. I had no appetite and no strength and I could get no rest. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and occasionally used Hood's Pills. In a short time my nerves were very much improved. I could sleep all night and get up in the morning feeling rested. I could work all day, had a good appetite and felt like a new person." Mrs. JAMES JAMES, Bethel, Maine. Be sure to get Hood's, because

Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best in fact the One True Blood Purifier. It is for sale at C. H. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. **Hood's Pills** cure Liver Ills; easy to take, easy to operate, 20c.

Maine's Next Musical Triumph.

We copy from the Bangor News a part of an article in which a Maine orchestra is suggested as a permanent organization. At an enthusiastic meeting in Bangor, the following resolution was passed.

Recognizing the great benefit derived from the recent successful concerts given throughout the State of Maine by the Maine Symphony Orchestra under the direction of William R. Chapman of New York city, we hereby advocate that this orchestra be made a permanent organization and that every citizen should show his personal interest by giving money and time to bring about the grandest results and to make this organization a pride to the State of Maine.

There seems to be a good prospect that the orchestra will be maintained as a permanent organization, and if Mr. Chapman succeeds in his plans, he will deserve credit for courage in business undertakings as well as admiration for his genius as a conductor. He told the News that before very long he hoped to organize in Maine, a company capable of singing grand opera. That would be a better and greater thing than any concert.

The appended article was written by Mrs. John G. Gehring who inspired Mr. Chapman to organize the Maine musical festival, which she hopes to see fairly established as a permanent factor in musical education in this State.

THE MAINE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA.

Now that the fact has been demonstrated that an orchestra consisting of Maine musicians has given a series of concerts of such quality as to place it upon the level of the great orchestras of the country, and that this brilliant climax of effort comes as the finale, to the unquestioned success of the Festival Chorus, it is time to call a halt and give a resume of the present and future situation of musical Maine.

This great renaissance has been carried through as wonderful year of experience as any movement the world has ever seen, not for financial returns, but for the awakening of the artistic side of the fine, strong people of the wonderful State of Maine. New England still holds within its veins the blood that left ease for effort and without counting the cost, followed an ideal!

Go into the towns which responded to the call of the Festival Chorus asking if they would leave their lives, the musical experience of this past year, and if they would willingly resign the hope of another Festival season? Their "No" would shake the State! The Maine Symphony Orchestra will carry the Festival Chorus to a yet higher level of attainment when, in place of a body of strangers, our own trained musicians hold the thousand voices upon their sustained harmonies. Then our musical future will be established upon a firm basis—and when our State has had this orchestra for five years, the country will look to Maine for a musical standard.

This band of talented men, with Wm. R. Chapman as their leader, have a plan wholly original in conception and entirely practical, which they now propose to present to the people of the State. There are two great orchestras in the United States, namely: The Boston Symphony under Paup, and the one in Chicago with Theodore Thomas at its head. They never depart from these centres excepting to visit other great cities, and there are consequently, thousands of people of moderate means living in smaller towns who have never heard a great orchestral concert!

The dominant thought of the Symphony orchestra is the same as was the central idea of the Festival namely: "The greatest good for the greatest number," and they propose not to limit their work to the large cities, but to visit as many towns that have large outlying rural populations as possible, in this way reaching throughout the State—and embracing a large number of intelligent and appreciative people, and above all else making it possible for the children and youth of the State to have the inestimable advantage of a correct musical standard.

Could there be a nobler educational aim? Is there another instance on record where a whole State can receive such an opportunity which will lift it above any State in the Union as regards general musical cultivation, and above any community in the world in its union of intellectual and artistic life?

Shall we rise to the level of our great opportunity and by becoming identified with this movement, place ourselves in the proud position of those whom a grateful future will remember as founders of a magnificent educational enterprise?

This orchestra cannot become a State educator without a sufficient guarantee that will enable it to visit towns unable to defray its expenses, and which will enable it to give talented young musicians sufficient instruction to keep its members up to the necessary requirements.

An immediate decision must be reached, and it is proposed to arrange a Founders' Fund, which

will be held in reserve in order to secure the orchestra from financial ruin in their efforts to carry out the ideal of sending this widespread means of cultivation throughout every part of our State.

It is no small honor to have the privilege of being one of those whose names will be upon this first list, to whom the thought of grateful thousands will turn. It is a rare opportunity for wealth and cultivation to manifest itself in such a royal manner among our people, as to embrace the good of the whole, and no fear is felt that Maine will fail to recognize the obligation of a great opportunity.

The Founders' Fund will represent a sum of five thousand dollars to which its supporters will give pledge fifty dollars each, as a reserve fund used as a guarantee, against losses for the space of two years. This sum entitles them to honorable mention upon all programs and entrance to all concert and rehearsals.

A patron list, ganged by the size of the town, will be opened in the towns to be visited by the orchestra. From twenty-five to fifty patrons will be expected to be responsible for ten tickets each, for the two concerts, each patron to receive two complimentary tickets to each concert.

All financial obligations having been hitherto met by Mr. Chapman and Mr. Chase, it will readily be recognized that they cannot continue this work upon the present basis, and it is hoped that at the end of two years the organization will be self-supporting.

One of the greatest expressions of recognition of the importance of this movement, comes from the united press of our State, and has given much of the needed impetus and encouragement to those most intimately connected with it.

Marion True Gehring.
Bethel, Maine, Jan. 18, 1898.

LOCAL NEWS.

Repairs have begun on the Academy and the work will be carried forward as rapid completion as possible.

Owing to a severe cold, Mr. Jordan was not able to occupy the pulpit at the Congregational church last Sunday.

It is economy to profit by the experience of others. Thousands have been cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, why not you?

Mrs. H. C. Barker had quite a severe attack of heart trouble Sunday, from which she still is suffering to considerable extent.

Dr. J. R. Kittredge of Farmington, wishes to call the attention of the citizens of this vicinity to his announcement made in another column of this issue.

G. R. Wiley has been suffering for several days from an attack of gastritis. He is reported this morning as being more comfortable and it is hoped that he will soon recover.

The Library Association will serve their annual dinner in the hall town-meeting day, consisting of hot baked beans and brown bread, cold meats, pies, cakes, and delicious coffee. All for 25 cents per plate. The friends and patrons of the association are invited to contribute pies, cakes, and good things for the dinner. Please leave the same at Odion Hall, Monday A. M., March 7.

Ira C. Jordan, A. H. Hutchinson and T. H. Powers attended the thirty-first annual convention of the G. A. R. department of Maine held at Lewiston last week. At this meeting, Col. Harry Weissenger of Kentucky, a southern colonel in the late war, presented to the department a very fine flag. The flag had in one corner the emblem of Kentucky and in the opposite corner the emblem of Maine. It was mounted on a staff which was cut on the old Abraham Lincoln homestead. The flag cost \$500.

Letters to Bethel People.
Mr. Gilbert Tuel, Bethel, Me.
Dear Sir: When a contractor builds a house, pride and reputation prompt him to do a good job. He likes to be able to say, "There's a building I put up ten or twenty or thirty years ago. It is in first class shape to-day, and is good for a long time yet."

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Our Young Readers.

The Boy Who Dares.

Show me the boy who dares to do right,
Though his comrades may laugh and sneer,
I'll show you a boy who, with all his might,
Will stand his ground without fear.

Show me the boy who dares to say no
When his honor is put to the test,
I'll show you a boy that's going to row
His canoe ahead of the rest.

Show me a boy that's good to the old,
To his mother is tender and kind,
I'll show you a boy with a heart of gold,
And his equal hard to find.

Show me a boy that loves the truth,
And cares for his books and school,
I'll show you a boy—a boy forsooth—
That a nation may some day rule.

Dare to do right! Dare to say no!
And against all wrong raise your hand.
In manhood you reap what in youth you sow
And be honored by all the land.

Mamma's Best Bonnet.

The parlor door stood open, and little Kitty strayed in.
She stood before the mirror, and reached out her small hands to the little girl in there. The little girl reached a pair just like them, to her, and smiled.

Then Kitty laughed aloud, and said, "Peek boo!" But the little girl in the mirror said nothing, though she moved her lips, still smiling.

Then Kitty saw her mamma's Sunday bonnet, and put it on. Now, she thought herself already for a walk.

She went to the front door, but she could not get out there. So she trotted down the back stairs to the basement door. Once or twice, she stepped on her long bonnet-strings, and nearly fell.

The basement door stood ajar, and she went out. She had sometimes been allowed to play on the sidewalk, while mamma sat in the parlor window and watched her. But now mamma was gardening in the back yard, and did not see her.

Kitty feared nothing. She thought she would go and meet her papa. She trotted along the walk, her bonnet-strings streaming out behind her in the May breeze. She met a policeman, who asked her where she was going.

"Doin' to meet papa," said Kitty. And the policeman, looking behind him and seeing a gentleman coming not far off, concluded that was "papa," and it was all right, and let her run on.

She crossed one street and turned down another, and came out into one where were the horse-cars, and where many busy people were moving up and down. She saw beautiful plants in one window, and stopped to look.

Then a horse-car came along. Kitty liked riding in the cars; and she went to the curb-stone and held out her hand, as she had seen her mamma do, to signal the driver to stop the car. But he paid no attention.

She saw a bird store, and went there and stood watching the birds, till by and by another car came along. Kitty thought she would try again. She went out into the street a little way to make sure that the driver should see her; but just then a big ice-wagon came rattling and crashing over the stone pavement as if it would run right over her, and she hurried back to the sidewalk.

A puff of wind took her bonnet and carried it under the horses' feet; and the wagon and wheels went over it, and it was all mashed down in the mud. Kitty's lip curled and quivered, and then she burst out crying as loud as she could cry.

Before this time, mamma had come in from the garden, and was looking high and low for Kitty. She called and called, and finally went and looked out at the basement door, and there she saw the prints of little shoes. So she knew Kitty had run away.

She started off without any bonnet or shawl, to find her, looking up and down with her scared eyes and her white face, so that everybody who met her knew that something dreadful had happened.

One kind neighbor brought a bonnet and tied it on her head, and advised her to go straight to the police station and give the alarm.

But the little mamma had a mother of her own two or three blocks away, and she thought nobody could help her quite so well as she. So she ran till she got there, and then she pulled the bell so hard that her mother jumped out of her chair and ran to see what was the matter.

When she heard the story, she put on her bonnet at once. She said, just as the neighbor had done, that the first place to go was to the police station. So they started, looking and inquiring all the way.

When they got to the station-house, the door stood open, and there, sitting in the great leather-covered chair, sat little Kitty, smiling and talking to a policeman, and crunching with great satisfaction the candy he was giving her.

Her face grew sober as she met her mother's eyes. She didn't think much about the naughtiness of running away. What she thought of was the loss of that

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Children's Letters.

Bryant Pond, Me., March 1st, '98.

Dear Editor:

I am a little boy eleven years old. I go to school; there are 16 scholars in my room and 12 in the other. I study arithmetic, geography, reading, physiology, writing, grammar, and spelling. My teacher's name is Ada Briggs; she is from West Paris; the lower teacher is Miss Bertha Cushman. We are going to have an entertainment next Friday afternoon. We have two cows, three doves, two cats, a dog and a grey squirrel.

Your friend,
Edward D. Peverley

Hastings, Me., Feb. 25th, 1898.

Dear Mr. Editor:

I have read a good many of the children's letters, and have concluded to write one myself as I saw the letter of a friend in last week's issue. The lines:

"No cloud above, no earth below,
A universe of sky and snow,"

were written by John Greenleaf Whittier, in his poem "Snow-Bound." He was born in Haverhill, Mass., Dec. 17th, 1807.

I like his poem "The King's Missile," the best of any poem I have read. Can any one tell me the authors of, and in what poems the following quotations are found?

"She is coming, my own, my sweet;
Were it ever so airy a tread,
My heart would hear her and beat,
Were it earth in an earthly bed."

"Bear a lily in thy hand;
Gates of brass cannot withstand
One touch of that magic wand.
Bear through sorrow, wrong and ruth

In thy heart the dew of youth,
On thy lips the smile of truth."
I attend school here when it is session but we are having a vacation now. My teacher's name is Eva E. Walker. I have just passed my eleventh birthday. Hoping my letter will not be too long, I will close. I remain,

Yours very truly,
Dorothy May Hobson.

From all over the country, come words of praise for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Here is a sample letter from Mrs. C. Shep, of Little Rock, Ark.: "I was suffering from a very severe cold, when I read the cures that had been effected by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I concluded to give it a trial and accordingly procured a bottle. It gave me prompt relief, and I have the best reason for recommending it very highly which I do with pleasure." For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and G. O. Jones, Bryant Pond.

RUMFORD.

Lyman Abbott of West Bethel, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Colson Abbott who are both quite feeble this winter.

Harry Small spent Saturday and Sunday with his brother, W. W. Small of Rumford Falls, who is quite sick from nervous prostration caused by overwork.

The members of the V. I. S. are intending to finish their hall this spring. Who says "perseverance can't conquer all things?"

A number of our scholars are attending high school at the Point, also Cleve Bartlett of East Bethel, who is boarding at J. H. Estes. The crossing is quite bad since the last storm.

Mrs. Myrtle Stearns and little daughter Blanche, are spending a few days with her friend, Mrs. Harry Small.

Mrs. Grace Delano and children are visiting Mr. Delano's parents.

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News and Notes.

A heavy shortage in the 1897 flax crop indicates higher prices for linseed meal.

The outlook for the sheep industry is quite inviting at present and the shepherd feels encouraged.

A contributor to American Gardening avers that the White Oak Cory is never affected with worms. The Early Pearl is good, but not quite as early as Cory. Another writer in the same journal claims that no corn is wormproof.

Will it pay to try to separate the liquid manure from the solids before applying it? Rural New Yorker says: "On the whole, we doubt it. We think absorbents will pay better."

Do It Yourself.

You can tell just as well as a physician whether your kidneys are diseased or healthy. The way to do is to take a bottle of glass tumbler, and fill it with urine. If there is a sediment—a powder like substance—at the bottom after standing a day and night, there is something wrong with the kidneys. Another sure sign of disease is a desire to urinate often and still another sign is pain in the back. If urine stains linen there is no doubt that the kidneys are affected.

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Haynes'
Laundry.

HAVING purchased the Lau-
 dry business previously car-
 ried on by my brother
 A. R. Haynes, I wish to announce
 that I am now ready to do all
 kinds of Laundry work in a sat-
 isfactory manner.

All who believe in patronizing
 home industry are requested to
 give me a trial. ++++++
S. A. HAYNES.

G. L. Prescott
 Jeweler,
 Bethel, N.H.
G. L. Prescott,
 Scientific
 Optician.
 Fine
 Watchmaker.

Lovejoy House,
 W. F. Lovejoy & Son, Pro'ps,
 BETHEL HILL, MAINE.
 This popular house has been repaired
 last season, the stable and out buildings
 have been moved to the rear of the house
 leaving the view of the Mountains
 unobstructed. Parties wishing a quiet
 winter home will find this one of the most
 desirable places in the Mountain region.

SCROFULA.
 One of America's most fa-
 mous physicians says: "Scrofu-
 la is external consumption." Scrofulous children are often
 beautiful children, but they
 lack nerve force, strong bones,
 stout muscles and power to
 resist disease. For delicate
 children there is no remedy
 equal to

Scott's Emulsion
 of Cod-liver Oil with Hypo-
 phosphites of Lime and Soda.
 It fills out the skin by putting
 good flesh beneath it. It makes
 the cheeks red by making rich
 blood. It creates an appetite
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COUNTY NEWS.
 OTHER COUNTY NEWS ON PAGE FOUR.

WEST BETHEL.
 "March, the blustering son of Mars
 Marches boldly in to-night,
 Guided by the silver stars
 'O'er a carpet cold and white."
 The lamb-like weather is com-
 ing the last of the month.

A. S. Bean had a team of eight
 large horses out Sunday breaking
 roads.

First class cooking, and a good
 variety to be had at Poplar Ta-
 vern.

J. E. Pike has his new store
 nearly ready to fill with goods and
 customers are patiently waiting
 for the opening.

An old barn owned by Mrs. Irene
 Needham was crushed last week
 by the great heft of snow on
 the roof, and is a total wreck.

Sixty cars loaded with oats have
 been side-tracked here since the
 first of the winter, and during the
 past week two engines with a snow
 plough, and from twenty to thirty
 men with shovels, have been
 extricating them from their fet-
 tles and sending them by special
 trains to Portland. Many of the
 workmen came from Gorham and
 Berlin, N. H.

NORWAY.
 C. H. Adams and wife visited re-
 latives at West Paris this week.

H. Dennison Cole from Davis,
 West Virginia, is visiting his father,
 Horace Cole.

Mr. Gould of Boston, has been
 visiting friends in town for the
 past few days. Mr. Gould is to
 go to Ohio to work at his trade as
 shoe cutter.

Rev. B. S. Rideout delivered the
 first of a short series of lectures on
 "A Brief Outline History of Con-
 gregationalism" Sunday evening at
 the 2nd Congregational church.
 He had a very good audience, and
 his subject proved to be a most in-
 teresting one.

The Little Androscoggin Valley
 Sunday School Association did not
 meet here last Tuesday, as was
 planned, on account of the severe
 storm but was postponed to Wed-
 nesday, March 2nd. It will be held
 at the Methodist church with the
 same programme as was to have
 been given Feb. 22nd.

When bilious or constive, eat a
 Cascarets, candy cathartic, cure
 guaranteed, 10c.

SUNDAY RIVER.
 Mary Jackson is working at C.
 D. Bean's.

Dinner at Poplar Tavern—25
 cents.
 Allie Emery is hauling birch for
 Chas. Moore.

H. M. Kendall has finished haul-
 ing his poplar to Bethel station.

Albert Eames of Lawrence, Mass.,
 is visiting his father, J. F. Eames.
 James Spinney's little daughter
 who has been very sick is recover-
 ing.

Loria Trask will haul the birch
 from David Fleet's to Thurston's
 mill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bean are re-
 joicing over the advent of a fine
 boy.

MASON.
 The question now is who will be
 our next road commissioner. Town
 meeting next Monday.

Addison Bean saw a black fox in
 front of his house last Saturday,
 closely followed by a hound.

We have had but very little com-
 munication with the outside world
 for the past three weeks, so news is
 scarce.

Great excitement over the war-
 ship Maine and every young man
 longing to avenge the death of
 those young men that went down
 with the gallant ship.

The roof of J. C. Bean's house
 would have crashed in had not S. O.
 Grover discovered it just in season.
 The snow was five feet deep and it
 took several hours for two men to
 clear the buildings of snow.

Snow, snow, beautiful snow!
 Will it ever let up? We have good
 seven-foot in the woods. The crew
 of Ernest Morrill came out of the
 woods last week, having several
 hundred cords cut ahead of the
 teams.

ALBANY.
 Miss Maude Beckler visited at
 S. G. Bean's the 16th.

The Circle which was to have
 been at the vestry the 17th of Feb.,
 but was postponed on account of
 the bad storm, will meet the
 first Thursday in March.

Herbert I. Bean of New York,
 has been in town for a few days,
 on a visit to his parents; he re-
 ports no snow in New York. We
 only wish we could lend them a
 little of our Maine snow.

Mrs. Inez Johnson received quite
 a fright during one of the recent
 wind blows. One of the chamber
 windows on the north end of the
 house was blown in with quite a
 crash. As luck would have it,
 help was near at hand, and with
 some difficulty and several pair of
 "cold fingers" they succeeded in
 getting the window nailed up with-
 out further damage being done
 to the house.

The L. R. T. Club met with Mrs.
 E. T. Jenkins, Feb. 26th. The
 meeting was decidedly interesting
 and instructive. The club is mak-
 ing a study of the "Poets" at pre-
 sent, having taken Longfellow as
 a subject at the last meeting.
 The next meeting will be held at
 the home of Miss Ada O. Bean,
 Mar. 9th, at which time the sub-
 ject under discussion will be J. G.
 Whitier, "The Quaker Poet."

There was quite a good attend-
 ance at Round Mountain Grange,
 Feb. 19th, in spite of bad roads.
 We think the Master did his share
 towards getting the members
 there as we noticed seven besides
 himself in his team as he drove
 up to the hall. Three of the lady
 members walked a distance of
 nearly two miles over roads which
 were certainly none of the best.
 We can but feel that the inter-
 est in our grange work is increas-
 ing with each meeting. The pro-
 gram for the next meeting is as
 follows:

Music. Viola Cummings.
 Recitation. Singing. Choir.
 Select Reading. Evie Hutchinson.
 Debate—Resolved that the brothers du-
 ties are greater on a farm than those of
 the sisters.
 Paper. Maude Beckler, Edith.

GILEAD.
 Mr. Perley B. Heath according
 to report, is improving in health.
 First class cooking and a good
 variety to be had at Poplar Ta-
 vern.

There is a snow storm in pro-
 gress as we write, on the 26th; the
 falling flakes indicate a westerly
 wind.

We were sorry to find yesterday,
 the 25th, that Mrs. H. R. Gammon
 had been quite ill for two or three
 days. We hope she will speedily
 regain her health.

We are informed that there was
 quite a crew of men from Berlin,
 in our village, the 22nd, helping our
 local trackmen to remove the snow
 from the G. T. R. We know not
 but what men from the village
 were also at work at that time.
 We believe we saw some of them
 handling the shovel there not
 many days ago.

RUMFORD FALLS.
 There will be a concert Monday
 and Tuesday evenings of this week
 in Cheney Hall, under the leader-
 ship of Prof. W. S. Wight.

Rev. G. B. Hannaford preached
 in the Methodist church last Sun-
 day morning and in the Union
 church at Mexico in the afternoon.

Daniel Bragdon of West Dur-
 ham, gave a very interesting lec-
 ture in the Universalist church last
 Sunday evening, subject, Temper-
 ance.

Mr. John McMillan and Miss
 Etta L. Smith both of Rumford
 Falls, were united in marriage,
 Feb. 26th, by Rev. G. B. Hanna-
 ford.

MILTON PLANTATION.
 The men are beginning to talk
 Town meeting.

Ivy Richardson has returned
 from her school at Kents Hill.
 Joseph McAllister is working for
 E. Andrews on his Bethel farm.

E. Andrews of Rumford has
 bought Ed. Stevens' valuable colt.
 Florence Richardson has return-
 ed home from her school at South
 Paris.

M. L. Richardson seems to have
 grown young since he became
 grandpa.

Are you aware that you can get
 a first class dinner at Poplar Ta-
 vern for 25 cents.

Mrs. Bert Jackson and daughter
 who have been visiting her moth-
 er, Rachel Edwards on E. Ed-
 wards' farm, returned to her home
 in Snow's Falls, Monday.

W. S. Peasley who has been stay-
 ing at M. L. Richardson's the past
 week, returned to his work in Nor-
 way Monday, the happy papa to a
 girl baby.

Mann's clothes pin factory had to
 shut down for lack of birch; so
 much snow it is impossible to get
 lumber from the woods where he
 has men chopping.

EVERYBODY SAYS SO.
 Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most won-
 derful medical discovery of the age, pleas-
 ant and refreshing to the taste, act gently
 and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels,
 cleansing the entire system, dispel colds,
 cure headache, fever, habitual constipation
 and biliousness. Please buy and try a box
 of C. C. G. today. 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold
 and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

WEST LOVELL.
 The road roller was out after the
 big storm with eight horses and as
 many men.

W. S. Fox of Norway, has re-
 turned from Cold River and is at
 work for John A. Fox.

Mr. A. LeBaron has a man at
 work for him from Nova Scotia by
 the name of Brown.

Alexander Larocque was home
 Saturday from Sampson's mill at
 North Chatham.

The heavy storms don't hinder
 the pack peddlers from getting
 around on their regular trips.

BRYANT POND.
 T. R. Alec and William Day
 went to Medford, Mass., Monday,
 to attend the funeral of their brother,
 Charles.

Miss Grace Stevens and Miss
 Alice Day visited friends in West
 Paris, last week.

This week Miss Grace Stevens
 goes to Gorham, Me., to spend a
 week with her sister Lizzie, who
 is attending school there.

Mr. Rufus Dunham is quite low;
 he had a very bad spell with his
 heart last week.

It is reported that we are to
 have a new M. D. in the near fu-
 ture.

NORTH WEST BETHEL.
 Henry Douglas has gone to his
 home on Bethel Hill.

Jack Downie who has worked
 for H. N. Upton for some time, is
 in this neighborhood at present.

Warner Kendall, well known
 here, and at his former home in
 Bethel has been promoted, and is
 now a conductor on the G. T. R.,
 where he has worked for some
 years as brakeman.

A Noted Minstrel.
 M. T. Skiff, formerly business
 manager for W. J. Stanton, the
 Irish Comedian, suffered with
 Rheumatism for years without re-
 lief until he bought a bottle of
 Dr. Drummmond's Lightning Remedy.
 Two bottles made a well man of him.
 There are a thousand reme-
 dies for Rheumatism, but none
 have received the unsolicited tes-
 timonials from prominent people
 as shown by Dr. Drummmond's Light-
 ning Remedy. When a cure is
 wanted, send \$5 to the Drummmond's
 Medicine Co., New York, and they
 will ship to your address two large
 bottles of the Remedy—enough for
 one month's treatment. Agents
 wanted.

HASTINGS.
 Shoveling snow seems to be the
 order of the day.
 Harry Hobson has returned
 home from Portland.

The mill has been shut down the
 past few days owing to the storm.
 Miss Sadie King of Island Pond,
 is visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur
 Cobb.

Rufus Rice of Bethel, has been
 visiting his brother, B. W. Rice
 for a few days.

The Emerald Minstrels gave a
 fine entertainment the 19th; it is
 hoped they will give another soon.
 Mrs. George Rice of North Wa-
 terford, stopped on her way home
 from Haverhill, N. H., to visit her
 son, Burnham Rice.

Owing to the storm the train has
 not been out to Gilead the past few
 days, the mail being carried by
 team to connect with the Grand
 Trunk.

The Wild River Lumber com-
 pany has sold its property to a syn-
 dicate of capitalists from different
 parts of the country although it is
 understood that the present com-
 pany does not relinquish control
 of the property for about a year.

For some time, I have suffered
 with rheumatism and tried every
 imaginable remedy without effect.
 Mr. F. G. S. Wells advised me to
 try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, tell-
 ing me that it had cured many
 cases of long standing like mine.
 I have used four bottles and feel
 sure that one more bottle will
 make my cure complete.—A. P.
 Kontz, Claremore, Ark. Sold by
 G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and G. O.
 Jones, Bryant Pond.

MARSHALL HILL.
 Roscoe Swan of Greenwood,
 made us a pleasant visit last week.
 Isaiah Hazeltine and wife made
 a pleasant call at J. H. Briggs' re-
 cently.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Hazeltine visit-
 ed their daughter, Mrs. L. Ad-
 dews, Thursday.

Miss Annie Kimball of Middle
 Intervale, is visiting at George
 Briggs' a few days.

Mrs. Nellie Flint who has been
 spending a few days at Norway, re-
 turned home, Wednesday.

Clarence Briggs and Roscoe
 Swan visited their grandfather,
 J. H. Briggs, recently.

Geo. Fernald of Harrison who
 has been very sick at his brother's,
 C. H. Fernald's, is so as to be out
 again.

LOCKE'S MILLS.
 Mr. Wesley Kimball is very sick.
 Dana Grant goes out on pleasant
 days.

W. H. Farnham and wife went
 to Bethel, Monday.

Llewellyn Bryant is enjoying a
 visit from his two brothers, Ed.
 and Bert of Boston.

Mrs. Annie Emery and Mrs. Nel-
 lie Cross went to Norway, Friday
 of last week, returning Saturday.

A. L. Emery who has been in
 North Abington for the past few
 weeks at work in the shoe shop,
 came home Friday of last week
 sick; he is better at the present
 time.

EAST ANDOVER.
 W. W. Perkins has filled a con-
 tract for Barnes Mills.

We think measles are all done
 away with in town.

Mrs. Clifford is spending the
 winter in Lewiston.

Green Averill and wife have gone
 to Rumford Falls to work in a ho-
 tel.

Shoveling snow is the order of
 the day, and yet there is more to
 follow.

W. A. Farrington has a crew in
 the woods cutting birch for Grover
 Mills.

Miss Lillian and Eva Procter for-
 merly of this place, have been
 around calling on friends.

